



Water Utilities Update Low-Income Oversight Board



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Topics

- 2016 Low-Income Totals
- Low-Income OIR
- AB 401
- Consolidation
- Cost of Capital Proceeding
- Legislation





2016 Low-Income Totals

- Customers: **230,000**
 - Down from a peak of 250,000 in 2013
- Percentage of Residential: **19%**
- Annual Discount: **\$26 million**
- Average Discount per Month: **\$9.50**





Low-Income OIR

R.17-06-024

- Early stages of proceeding
 - Potential Scope
 - Workshops
 - Testimony/Evidentiary Hearings
 - Bottled Water Jurisdiction
 - Sales Forecasting
 - Scoping Memo will be issued October



Coordinate with SWRCB





AB 401

Statewide Low-Income Program

- SWRCB progress
 - Received input from various utilities and agencies
 - Formed stakeholder group
 - Held public outreach meetings
 - Standardize shutoff process
 - Recently had joint agency workshop with CPUC on consolidation

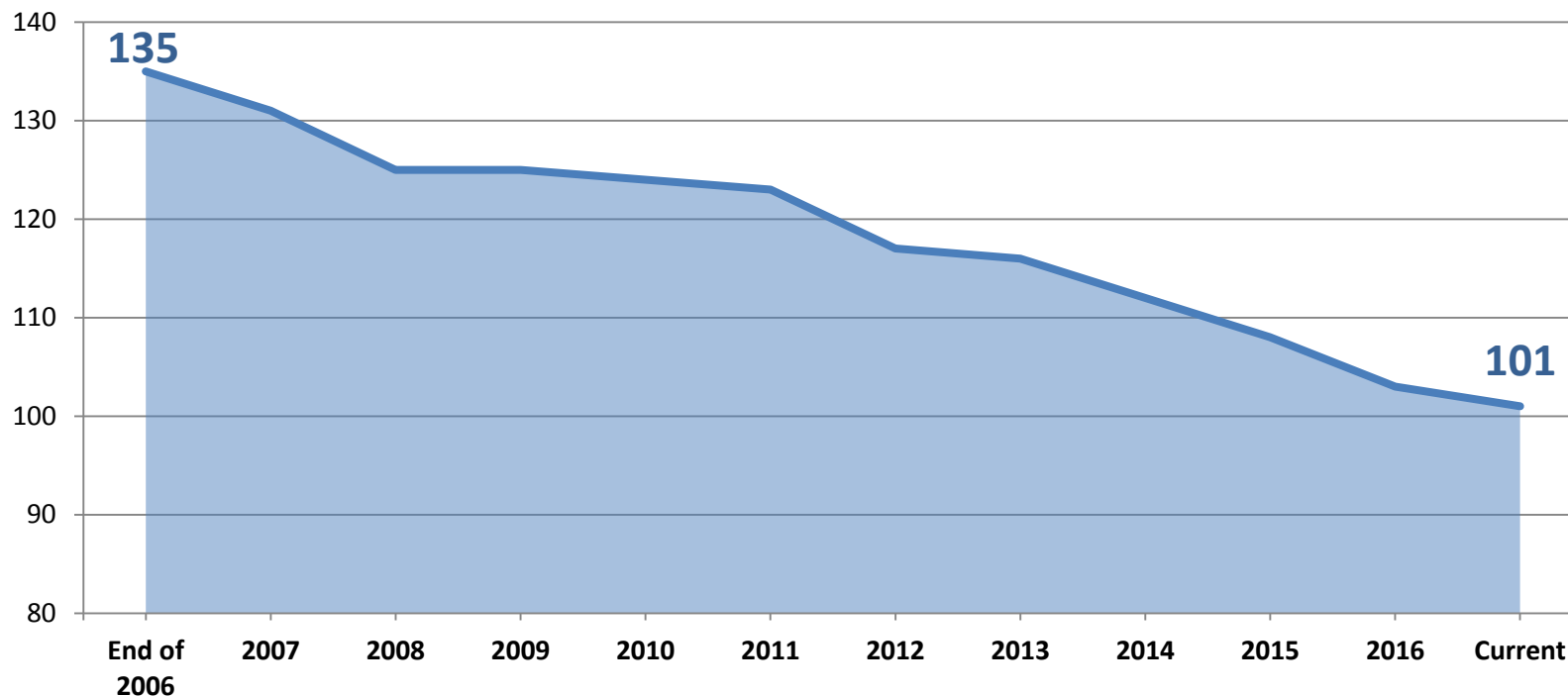


SWRCB Report due to Legislature by February 1st





Total Investor-Owned Water Utilities



Acquisitions since 2007: **34**





Cost of Capital Proceeding

- Determines new **Rate of Return** for:
 - **California Water Service**
 - **California-American Water Company**
 - **Golden State Water Company**
 - **San Jose Water Company**
- For the years 2018 – 2020
- Scheduling Public Participation Hearings
 - San Jose, Bakersfield, & Los Angeles
- Ruling by December





Legislation

- Did Not Pass (2-Year Bill)
 - **SB 623**: Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund
 - Proposed to add a fee to all water bills to fund water programs for disadvantaged communities
 - **AB 1668 & SB 606**: Water Management Planning
 - Proposed adoption of permanent conservation standards
- Passed (Governor's Desk)
 - **AB 746**: School Lead Testing
 - Requires all Community Water Systems serving a school built before 2010 to test for lead by **July 1, 2019**
 - Community Water System is any public water system that serves water year-round to at least 15 connections or a population of 25 people
 - Lead level limit **< 15 ppb** (parts per billion)

➡ **200 of 2,000 schools** served by IOUs have been tested so far
Only 4 schools detected lead over limit and were corrected





Thank You

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